

Happy New Year . . . .



IT'S GONNA BE A BIG YEAR . . . A hail to the New Year of 1958 and a farewell to 1957 is being staged by Bradley Robbins Gardner, 18-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Holmes Gardner, 3222 Sonoma Ave. Bradley, in his diaper, top hat and with noisemakers, looks forward to a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year.

Only Mother-Daughter Team Heads Marina District 18



MRS. EMANUEL T. GOERTZ  
... Marina District Prexy



MRS. B. D. REECE  
... Heads Marina Juniors

Family holidays is just one of the many forms of "togetherness" enjoyed this year by the only mother-daughter team of presidents in senior and junior districts of California Federation of Woman's Clubs.

Mrs. Emanuel T. Cortez, president of Marine District 18, CFWC, and her daughter, Mrs. B. D. Reece, president of Marina District CFWC Junior Membership, were elected to be the first presidents of these new districts, and are now serving their second terms in office.

It is the only mother-daughter presidential team in the state federation and, to the best of their knowledge, the only such combination in the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

In club work, as in family life, there is a great deal of closeness between these two, just as junior clubs and their senior sponsoring organizations traditionally are close. However, although they attend each other's meetings, each keeps "hands off" the other's agendas and projects. Their main mutual interests, naturally, are the Reece children—three boys—8, 3, and 1 year old. The baby has been an honored guest at several senior club meetings when a baby-sitter was unavailable. Grandmother Goertz (she's proud of that title, as much as her "Madame President" one), had held the baby while Mrs. Reece made her reports. Mrs. Reece is a past president of Playa del Rey Juniors and Mrs. Goertz is a past president of the Playa del Rey Woman's Club.

YOUNG HOSTS

Youngsters of the Ira Hons, 4254 182nd St., entertained a friend, David Hooker, at a luncheon party Sunday following church.

The young hosts were Frances, Helen and Earl Hooker.

Faculty Aids Children

Torrance high school teachers exchanged gaily wrapped toys with fellow teachers at the regularly scheduled faculty meeting Dec. 17.

Meeting in the school cafeteria for coffee, cake and cookies, the teachers heard an impromptu quartet of Jim Nichols, music teacher; Von Hershey, dramatics; Vance Di Fiori, music and world heritage, and Ross Potter, journalism, render "Jingle Bells."

The musical mood was further enhanced by group singing with all faculty participating. After the Christmas gift exchange the faculty gathered together the toys to be donated to some social agency to be given to deserving children.

The refreshment table decorated by Mrs. Catherine Leps, THS girls' advisor, and Miss Jo Kaye Meek was replete with all the traditional goodies associated with Christmas.



MRS. L. W. BROWNLEE  
... Greeting New Year

For Happiness --- Eat Raw Cabbage as 1958 Arrives

New Year's Day superstitions are many and varied. In Scotland, guests arriving on the first day of the new year must bring a lump of coal with them to insure warmth and happiness throughout the year.

In the South, black-eyed peas and hog jowl are a must. In the West, tables also bring good luck during the year.

But one of the more widespread superstitions is eating a piece of raw cabbage as the bells toll in the new year.

A perfect New Year's Eve party talk-catcher and delightful hors d'oeuvre is used by Mrs. L. W. Brownlee, 1628 Greenwood Ave.

Mrs. Brownlee takes a large head of raw cabbage and hollows out enough of the center so that a small container of canned heat can be placed in the cabbage flush with the top of the head.

Then she takes half-inch by half-inch squares of cheese, and spears the cheese with

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Gala Party Enjoyed by Bridge Club

"Santa Claus" was the theme for the Christmas party given by Mrs. Parke Montague and Mrs. Rod Norris for their bridge club on Wednesday evening, Dec. 18, at the Montague home, 1328 Beech Ave.

Upon arriving the guests were instructed to create a "Santa" which was placed near the gifts under the tree. Each guest was also presented with a "white elephant." "Santa" had an eye on the guests, and he made four telephone calls during the evening, giving orders that "white elephants" be exchanged. Also in answer to the door bell, the hostesses found that Santa had been there, leaving gifts.

At the close of the bridge games prizes were awarded to Mmes. L. A. McCoy, Phyllis Klink, William Patterson, Robert Morton, Bob Clayton, and E. E. Clayton. The traveling prize, a Christmas flower arrangement, was also won by Mrs. E. E. Clayton.

After the games the guests were presented with "Santa" favors, each bearing a number that coincided with the number on her tally for the gift exchange around the Christmas tree.

At midnight a buffet supper was served by candlelight.

THEATER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haws and Mrs. Sarah Hooker and William Smith, all of Torrance, attended a pre-theater party Saturday night before going on to the theater in Los Angeles.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN R. HARRISON  
... Married 65 Years

Advice --- Marry Right One Live Happily Ever After

"We're still as much in love as we were the day we married . . . 65 years ago."

As they made this avowal, John R. Harrison pinned a white orchid corsage on his bride of 65 years. The Harrisons, who make their home in Sterling, Ill., spend the winter months in Torrance with their daughter, Mrs. John Lotgering, 529 W. 213th St.

The couple was married Jan. 1, 1893 in Point Pleasant. Ten of their 13 children are still living and they have 32 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren.

Still active at 84, Mr. Harrison and his 80-year-old wife, drive their own car from Illinois to Torrance each year.

He declared that he hadn't got around to retiring yet. He still works occasionally.

The two have never been away from each other in 65 years, except for one period of about a week when Mrs. Harrison went to see one of their daughters in W. Virginia.

"Our family has always been a close one, with lots of love," they said.

In the way of advice for young people, Mr. Harrison had this to say:

"Don't marry until you find the right one, then stay married."

Mrs. Harrison added that couples should always talk things over, then make decisions together.

"Marriage is a partnership," they both declared.

This partnership will be honored New Year's Day when the sons and daughters who live in Southern California gather.

In addition to Mrs. Lotgering, the Harrison children include: Homer of Sterling, Ill.; Mary Duprey of Buena Park; Marvin of Pasadena; Katherine Poston of Lakewood; Clarence of Walnut, Ill.; Charles of Phoenix, Ariz.; Lanora Woodway and Marjorie Keiser, both of Sterling; and Martha Harrison of Zion, Ill.

Mrs. Kendrick Is Featured In Magazine

"Orange Marmalade," winning Bake-Off recipe created by Mrs. Anna J. Kendrick, Torrance, will be featured in the world's largest magazine food ad to be published in the February issue of Better Homes and Gardens magazine.

Mrs. Kendrick baked her recipe personally at Pillsbury's 9th Grand National Bake-Off in Beverly Hills, Calif., Oct. 14.

Her recipe will be featured with 37 other top Bake-Off recipes in the 14 page, full color "cookbook in a magazine" which will be circulated to 4,500,000 readers.

In the opinion of the seven cooperating advertisers and their agencies who are producing the ad, its cost in excess of \$406,000 makes it the biggest magazine food ad in history.

Blahnik Home Party Scene

Mrs. George Blahnik, 21901 Marjorie Ave., entertained a Brownie troop at its annual Christmas party on Thursday evening of last week.

A gift exchange was held with Mrs. Elsie Yates, leader, serving as Santa Claus. The girls were given miniature Christmas tree ice cream cones.

Attending were Laura Beadle, Jeane Brown, Robin Bingham, Janet Lemen, Mary Malloy, Patty Perlowitz, Susie Wentz, Cecelia Blahnik, Claude Yates, Joyce Zubovich, Judy Doss, Rita Ellingsworth, Debby and Cindy Street, Claudia Blahnik and Kendra Pausy.



MR. AND MRS. W. J. BARTGES  
... Note 68th Anniversary

Good Health, Hard Work Is Formula for Happy Marriage

'Twas the day before Christmas . . . 68 years ago . . . when W. J. Bartges claimed his bride.

The two celebrated their 68th anniversary Christmas with a quiet family dinner with two of their four children. Gathering at the Bartges home, 24815 Winlock Dr., a two-tiered wedding cake was the center of attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartges were married in Dayton, Wash., and they lived near there ranching for many years before moving to Torrance.

Though Mr. Bartges no longer is a rancher, his wife says he's still a busy person.

"I keep him busy," she says, "helping with things around the house and the yard work."

Mr. Bartges, who still calls his wife "sweetheart," admits he is pretty good at helping with the dishes.

His wife credits good health and hard work for their 68 successful years of marriage.

"A good marriage is a take-and-give sort of thing," she added.

Mrs. Bartges is 88 and her husband is 89. They both enjoy cooking dinner for and entertaining their children on Christmas, or any other day, for that matter.

The two sons and their families who aided in the 68th celebration were Ward W. Bartges of Torrance and Theron Bartges of Lomita. A daughter, Mrs. Beulah Kimble of San Francisco, and a son, Dr. Rex Bartges of Bakersfield, were unable to be here for the party.

The couple also have welcomed 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren into the family circle.



MISS KAREN ESPOSITO  
... Wins Gold Cup

Beauty Title

Four-year-old Karen Esposito, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Esposito, 2725 Loftview Dr., won the gold cup award in the Redondo Beach Baby Show of 1957.

The coronation pageant was held Sunday at Redondo Skateland and the first place beauty award was presented by the Degree of Pochantas, Council 240, of Redondo Beach.

Sprout Home Setting for Coed Reunion

Co-eds home for the holidays were entertained at a potluck dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 17, by Miss Peggy Sprout, Whittier College student who is here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sprout, 1327 Beech Ave.

All of the girls attending the party were graduated from Torrance High in 1957. They enjoyed a potluck supper served from a table decorated with blue tapers surrounding a blue Christmas ornament arrangement.

A gift exchange was held after supper and the girls spent the evening visiting.

Attending were Pat Woofter, Bobby Hedge, Marilyn Linscott, Lorna Hall, El Camino College; Barbara Hester, Occidental; Donna Isbell, SC; Wendy Latta, Wheaton, and Wanda Cook.

Others invited but unable to attend were Dianne De Nevers, UCLA; Dixie Bergen and Charleen Baker, Brigham Young; Gayle Richards, Barbara Carter; Mary Yoshioka, UCLA; Penny Benard, Sacramento State, and Judy Clark, M. Marilyn Moff, El Camino.

Tri-Delts to Entertain at Klatch Dec. 30

Tri-Delta initiates, collegiate actives, very recent graduates, and their mothers will be guests of honor at an 11 a.m. Mother-Daughter Coffee, Monday, Dec. 30, sponsored by the South Bay Alumnae of Delta Delta Delta.

Mrs. Ray Clinton, 5 Pack-saddle Rd., Rolling Hills will be hostess for this social event that will serve to renew friendships, and further acquaint collegiates and alumnae. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Walter Uptegraff III, and Mrs. Keith Crown.

Actives and their mothers receiving invitations are: Mrs. Dean Harrel and Dean Ann, Mrs. F. M. Hoppe and Carol, Mrs. Oscar E. White and Janice, Dean Ann, and Janice attend Arizona, and Carol attends Iowa State.

Pledges and their mothers invited are: Mrs. Lawrence Robinson and Lynn, Mrs. M. W. Swan and Carolyn, Mrs. W. M. Schildmeyer and Diane, Mrs. Robert Pruyn and Allison, Lynne and Diane attend UCLA and UC claims Carolyn and Allison.

Recent graduates and mothers receiving bids are: Mrs. Robert Creech and Carol, Mrs. Wiley Peterson and Barbara, Mrs. C. H. Slater and Joyce, Mrs. C. H. Ryan and Barrie, Mrs. Kenneth Garrison and Kay, Mrs. J. H. Rochefort and daughter, Mrs. Charles Elerding, Jr., and Mrs. J. W. Stewart and Glenda, Mrs. John McLaughlin.